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1. This submission aims to reflect our institutional opinion on the position of Cuba with respect to human rights before Cuba's Universal Periodic Review on 44<sup>th</sup> Session.
2. Cuba strives for its citizens to protect all their fundamental rights and freedoms.
3. The economic and trade embargo imposed by the USA has been going on for more than sixty years and has increased significantly with the pandemic process. The blockade against Cuba not only violates the human rights of the Cuban people, but also takes away the right of all countries in the world to engage with Cuba without fear of punishment. It has been proven in 60 years that the embargo imposed on Cuba has no equivalent in the eyes of the state. This blockade only increases the suffering of the Cuban people.
4. This embargo, which is cruelty to the Cuban people, must be lifted.